

## CHAPTER 14

### HOUSING INSPECTIONS

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14 **Authority** The Norton Board of Health in accordance with and under the authority granted by the General Laws of the Commonwealth, Chapter 111 § 31, has adopted this Housing inspection regulation. The purposes of 105 CMR 410.000 are to protect the health, safety and well-being of the occupants of housing and of the general public, to facilitate the use of legal remedies available to occupants of substandard housing, to assist the Board in enforcement of this code and to provide a method of notifying interested parties of violations of conditions which require immediate attention.

14.1 **Non-Public Health and Safety Inspections** Anyone requesting an inspection of a facility for other than their health, safety, well-being or protection of their property in accordance with 105 CMR 410.000, shall be assessed a fee in accordance with Appendix A.

14.2 **Request For Housing Inspection** - Any request for housing inspection, unrelated to public health and safety or to assist the Board of Health in their enforcements of the State Sanitary Code, 105 CMR 410.000 - Minimum Standards of Human Habitation shall be in writing.

- i Any request for a housing inspection for other than protecting the health, safety and well being of the occupants of housing and the general public to facilitate the use of legal remedies available to occupants of substandard housing, to assist Board of Health in their enforcements of the State Sanitary Code, 105 CMR 410.000 - Minimum Standards of Human Habitation and to provide a method of notifying interested parties of violations of conditions which require immediate attention, shall be in writing.

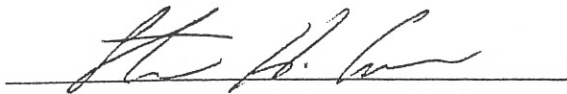
14.3 **Fees** A fee, Appendix A, shall accompany any request for a housing inspection consistent with Section 14.1 of this regulation. The fee for an inspection shall be paid not less than ten days before the requested inspection is to take place. The Board shall assess a fee for any inspection that may be required beyond the initial re-inspection as established in Appendix 1.

14.4 **Violations** If a failure to comply with an order requiring that any dwelling or its premises be properly cleaned or repaired results in a condition which endangers or materially impairs the health or well-being of the occupant or the public, the Board may cause such proper cleaning or repair and charge the responsible person or persons as hereinbefore provided with any and all expenses incurred. Any such charges by the Board shall not absolve the

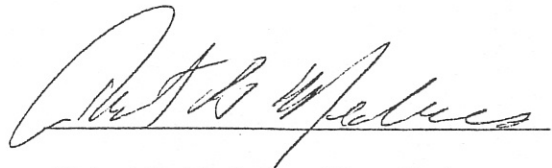
responsible person or persons from any penalty warranted by the failure to comply with the order. The Board may also act in an emergency under the provisions of 105 CMR 400.200(B) to clean or repair any dwelling which so fails to comply with the provisions of 105 CMR 410.000 as to endanger or materially impair the health or safety, and well-being of the occupant or the public, and to charge the responsible person or persons with any and all expenses incurred.

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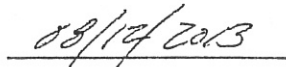
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